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SUBJ: DEA WEEKLY NARCOTIC INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING MESSAGE--

ITEM ON BURMA ARMY'S DRUG RAID OVER THAILAND'S BORDER

REF: (A) DEA 05968 (B) BANGKOK 3932

1. DEA WEEKLY NARCOTIC INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING MESSAGE (GFAL 76-8006) FOR WEEK ENDING FEB 25 (REF A) CONTAINS ITEM ENTITLED "BURMA ARMY'S DRUG RAID OVER THAILAND'S BORDER" WHICH STATES THAT UNRAFFLED PRESS TREATMENT OF BURMA ARMY INCURSION INTO THAI TERRITORY LAST MONTH "STRENGTHENS INDICATIONS THAT BANGKOK IS WILLING TO ACQUIESCE IN 'HOT PURSUIT' CROSSINGS OF ITS BORDER BY BURMA ARMY UNITS WHEN CONDUCTING ANTI-NARCOTICS OPERATIONS." ITEM GOES ON TO MENTION THAI/MALAYSIAN BORDER COOPERATION AGAINST SOUTHERN INSURGENTS AS POSSIBLE EXAMPLE OF WHAT THAI AND BURMESE MAY BE ABLE TO ARRANGE.

2. DEA BANGKOK IS REPEATING REF B TO DEA HQS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE SUBJECT. ITEM IN WEEKLY MESSAGE, HOWEVER, CONFIDENTIAL

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DOES NOT APPEAR TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE COMPLEXITIES OF THE THAI-BURMA AND THAI-BURMESE DISSIDENTS RELATIONSHIPS. BURMA ARMY INCURSION OCCURRED JUST BEFORE THE UPPADIT/KRIANGSAK MISSION DEPARTED FOR TANGOON. OFFICIAL FROM BURMESE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TOLD VISITING DEPT OFFICER THAT UPPADIT/ KRIANGSAK MISSION WENT TO RANGOON TO "APOLOGIZE"FOR PAST MISUNDERSTANDINGS IN ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE RTG-GUB RELATIONS.

UPPADIT AND KRIANGSAK OBVIOUSLY DID NOT WANT BORDER INCIDENT TO INTERFERE WITH ATTEMPTS AT RECONCILIATION, ALTHOUGH THERE WERE MANY WITHIN THAI OFFICIALDOM WHO SAW INCIDENT AS A VIOLATION OF THAI SOVEREIGNTY. AS SUGGESTED IN REF B, TOP ECHELON OF BPP IN NORTH THAILAND MAY BE WILLING TO COOPERATE WITH BURMA ARMY IN GOING AGAINST TRAFFICKERS WHEN PROVIDED WITH HARD INTELLIGENCE THAT NARCOTICS ARE BEING BROUGHT INTO THAILAND. WE ARE NOT RPT NOT OPTIMISTIC, HOWEVER, THAT AGREEMENT ON CROSS-BORDER OPERATIONS RESEMBLING THAT RECENTLY SIGNED BY THAILAND AND MALAYSIA (WHICH IS DIRECTED AGAINST COMMUNIST INSURGENTS RATHER THAN DISSIDENT GROUPS WHICH HAVE TRADITIONALLY BEEN CONSIDERED BY THE THAI TO BE BUFFERS AGAINST THE BURMESE COMMUNISTS) WILL BE FORTHCOMING.
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